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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of:

Dan Sanchez

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For: **HEART STABILIZER SUPPORT ARM**

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Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231-9998

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated May 14, 2002, please amend the above-entitled application as follows.

IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend claims 1, 2, 11, 12 and 16 as follows.

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1. (Amended) A support arm for a heart stabilizer, comprising:
2 a table mount;
3 an arm coupled to said table mount; and,
4 an end effector coupled to said arm, said end effector having a jaw member with an
5 adjustable spring force.

1 2. (Amended) The support arm of claim 1, wherein said jaw member includes a
2 spring biased retractable jaw member that moves relative to a stationary jaw member.

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